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SIR HECTOR RESIGNS.

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ADIAN POLITICAL CIRCLES.

He Emphatically Denies All the Charges Preferred Against Him in the Public Works Scandal—A Rumor That Thomas McGrovy Will Also Retire.

OTTAWA, ONT., AUG. 12.—Sir Hector Langevin has resigned from the ministry. Sir Hector's resignation proved a veritable bombshell in political circles and is the sensation of the day. It was totally unexpected at this stage of the proceedings in the investigation now going on. Before the privileges and elections committee Sir Hector read a lengthy defense. He said he would preface it with the statement that he had resigned in justice to his colleagues in parliament and the committee. His statement was very voluminous. He denied emphatically all the charges

Says He Did Not Think of Bribery.

With regard to Mr. Peters, who said he gave Sir Hector \$10,000 in 1887, the minister said he had no recollection of the matter. He never saw Sir Hector, was made for election under oath, as Mr. Peters had declared under oath, as must be remembered Sir Hector pointed out that this alleged occurrence took place

perform work for the public works department. Sir Hector reviewed all the evidence in a most comprehensive manner. He denied that he had ever profited by any of the contracts and had never had private dealings with any contractors or any body inconsistent with his position as minister of the crown. It is rumored that Thomas McGrevey, member of parliament for West Quebec, who is also mixed up in the public works scandal, will resign his seat.

He Has Begged at Kitchen Doors.
Says Chow.

Yellow Fever, or Worse.—**PORT AU PRINCE, Aug. 12.**—It is impossible any longer to conceal the terrible fact that an epidemic is raging here. A sailor on board the French man-of-war, *Le Comte de Rochemore*, died of virulent fever a few days since. He died and was at once buried. Others of the same vessel are down with the same disease, and the epidemic is spreading. The disease to be a complicated pernicious fever—the same thing as yellow fever, or worse.

Daring Escape from Court.
DENVER, Aug. 12.—Juan Weeks, a United States prisoner, escaped from his guards in the United States court room in a very daring manner. He had just been sentenced for complicity in piano frauds in Omaha, Kansas City and Denver, and was leaving the room in company of a deputy marshal when he saw the opportunity to make his escape. He threw a handful of cayenne pepper in their eyes, then escaped from a window and made his escape.

The Plover and Hammer.
NASHVILLE, Aug. 12.—The third annual meeting of the Farmers' and Laborers' union of the state was called to order in the hall of representatives by Pres. John H. McDowell, with about 150 delegates in attendance. During the meeting, which will last about three days, annual reports will be presented

and officers elected for the ensuing year. There seems to be no doubt but that the sub-treasury bill will be indorsed.

Young Lady's Mysterious Disappearance.
MANSLFIELD, O., Aug. 12.—One week ago San Francisco, Calif., a young lady of Mobile, Ala., aged 17 years, arrived here to visit her uncle, James Craig. She remained until Friday, when she left ostensibly to visit other relatives at Lucas, this county. She has not been seen to be there, but her relatives came here and have the information that she had not been there. No trace of her has been discovered and foul play is feared.

Another Presidential Dip.
CAPE MAY, Aug. 12.—The president passed the day in going over his official communications with his private secretary.

bury. He took his usual seat at the altar. John S. Phillips, of Kansas, called upon the president in reference to claims of the Cherokee Indians. Attorney General Miller has returned to Washington.

The Chaplain Fell Dead.

FIGUA, O., Aug. 12.—C. A. Gale, a business man of this city and a prominent Odd-fellow, dropped dead while attending the funeral of Dr. J. B. Blaine at

Senator Sherman on Beets.
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12.—Senator John Sherman has written Richard Gird, the beet sugar king, that he will visit California this year, and that he is greatly interested in the beet sugar industry.